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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

May 24, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated April 25, 2001, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 are pending. No amendments have been made by way of the present submission, thus, no new matter has been added.

Unity of Invention/Restriction Requirement

In the outstanding Office Action the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following three groups: